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C O N F I D E N T I A L MASERU 0729

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: IRAN PROVIDING JEEPS TO LESOTHO

1. IRANIAN AIR FORCE C-130 IN MASERU THIS WEEK HAS UNLOADED SOME EIGHT OR NINE JEEP TYPE VEHICLES. JEEPS ARE LEFT-HAND DRIVE, APPEAR TO BE MANUFACTURED IN IRAN AS LETTERING STAMPED ON BODIES IS FARSI. IN GENERAL APPEARANCE, VEHICLES LOOK LIKE U.S. MANUFACTURED JEEPS. LESOTHO POLICE PARAMILITARY UNIT TOOK DELIVERLY OF VEHICLES.

2. DELIVERY OF JEEPS HAS ALREADY RESULTED IN INQUIRY FROM BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION AS TO WHETHER U.S. IS SUPPLYING MILITARY VEHICLES TO LESOTHO POLICE. EMBASSY, OF COURSE, REPLIED IN NEGATIVE. IT POSSIBLE WE WILL RECEIVE FURTHER INQUIRIES, IN WHICH CASE EMBASSY PROPOSES SAY U.S. CONFINES ITS ASSISTANCE TO LESOTHO TO DEVELOPMENT AID.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE WHETHER VEHICLES OF THIS TYPE ARE MANUFACTURED IN IRAN UNDER U.S. LEASE WHETHER THEY CLASSIFIED AS MILITARY EQUIPMENT, AND WHETHER THEY SUBJECT TO
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